Lyman-Dayton Fire Commission (FC) Special Meeting Minutes November 13, 2014

Location: Goodwin's Mills Fire Station

Called to order 6:00 pm

In Attendance:

Fire Commissioner – Jim Roberts, Amos Gay, Don Hernon, John Houy, Wendell Smith, Paul Reynolds; Fire Chief Roger Hooper

Handouts: None

- 1. Meeting was not recorded; notes taken by FC Secretary; approved minutes will be placed on the Town websites
- 2. The purpose of this special meeting was to discuss applications for Fire Department grants and whether or not to approve requesting assistance in developing the grant applications.
- 3. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance Grant to Fire Fighters
 - This grant application is for a Pumper Tanker Fire Truck
 - Towns would have to provide a 5 % match for truck funding (e.g., \$25,000 for a \$500,000 fire truck); would require Town voter approval
 - Grant application assistance to be provided by Southern Maine Regional Planning; no GMFR cost if grant is awarded, since the application costs are reimbursed as part of the grant; possible cost of about \$1500 if the grant is NOT awarded
 - FC voted to approve applying for the FEMA grant, and to expend funds from the Operations Budget, Fire Commission Admin account, for grant application assistance, if necessary
- 4. Regional Communications Upgrade Grant
 - This grant application is for upgrading emergency response communications equipment on Ossipee Mountain; at least three towns must participate; expect to apply for about \$150,000 grant.
 - A 5% town match (e.g., \$7500 for a \$150,000 grant) is required; GMFD share would be about \$2500.
 - Waterboro will take the lead on writing the grant application
 - FC voted to approve applying for the Regional Communications Upgrading Grant, and to expend funds from the Operations Budget, for the town match, if the grant is awarded
- 5. Including Grant Account in the Next GMFD Budget
 - FC discussed adding a Grant account to the 2015/16 GMFD Operations budget, since it appears that GMFD should be applying for appropriate Fire Department grants each year

- 6. Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm
- 7. Next regular FC meeting will be November 20, 2014, 6:30 pm, GMFD

Meeting Minutes Taken by FC Secretary Don Hernon